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Preliminary Amendment: ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS

On page 13, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The invention concerns an orthodontic wire, combined with attachments bonded on the teeth, to correct position anomalies thereof, made of a material having high mechanical performances and a very low friction coefficient on ~~said~~ the attachments. ~~Said~~ The material is defined by a base structure made of a titanium-molybdenum alloy ~~comprising~~ including, in its outer surface layer, titanium nitrides of type TiN, Ti₂N, free of titanium oxide.